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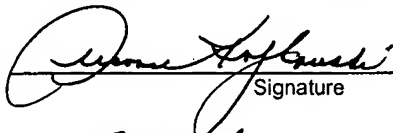
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**COMMENTS ON THE STATEMENT OF
REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE
UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.104(e)**

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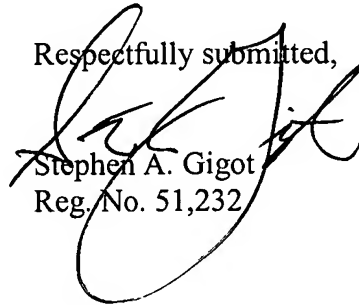
This communication is in response to the Examiner's Statements of Reasons for Allowance set forth in the Notice of Allowance dated April 28, 2006.

The Examiner has requested that the Applicants submit statements specifically point out any reference and parts thereof listed in the information disclosure statements submitted during prosecution of the present application that may be relevant to the examination of Claims 1-11 and 13-20. While noting that there is no statutory requirement that an applicant comment on the relevance of references listed in an information disclosure statement, Applicants respectfully submit that the references contained in the information disclosure statements submitted during prosecution of the present application fail to teach or suggest the subject matter of Claims 1-11 and 13-20.

In addition, Applicants respectfully submit that the Examiner has identified only a few of the separate and independent reasons for allowance of Claims 1-11 and 13-20.

Applicants also respectfully submit that Claims 1-11 and 13-20 are allowable for additional separate and independent reasons. The independent claims (Claims 1 and 13) include additional patentable features and/or combinations of features not mentioned by the Examiner. Similarly, the dependent claims (Claims 2-11, 14-20) include additional patentable features and/or combinations of features not mentioned by the Examiner.

Respectfully submitted,



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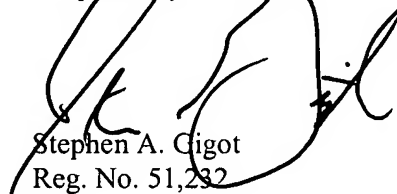
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Enclosed for filing are the formal drawings for the above-identified application.

Although not requested by the Office, entry of the enclosed drawings is respectfully requested. The enclosed drawings should be used for printing in the patent.

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